and mighty adversaries who m the end wrought his overthrow In anger he would sometimes deal roughly, and so long as *any* man did oppose him he would contend with him by sword or by law but if submission were offered by an inferior or reconciliation by his equal he would receive it readily. When moved by wrath he would swear excessively, partly from custom, partly from choler He was also addicted to incontinence, leaving children by several ventures, as well as his lawful son, who succeeds him

Many declare that his fall was brought about through the malice of Sir Christopher Hatton, the Lord Chancellor, whom Sir John had taunted because, as he said, he danced himself into favour But the Chancellor hath a greater injury against Sir John, in that he seduced his daughter On his return from his trial he cned with oaths and fury to Sir Owen Hopton, the Lieutenant of the Tower, * What, will the Queen suffer her brother to be offered up as a sacrifice to the envy of my flattering adversaries? 9 These words being carried to the Queen, she refused to sign the order for his execution, and swore that he should not die, for he was an honest and faithful man His mother was a lady of great honour in the Court of King Henry the Eighth who was married to Sir Thomas Perrot, a gentleman of the Privy Chamber, but Sir John in his person, qualities, gesture and voice so much resembled the late King that it is very generally believed that he was indeed a surreptitious child of the blood royal

4fih November HARWARD'S * SOLACE FOR THE SOLDIER AND THE SAILOR '

*The Solace for the Soldier and the Sailor^* written by Simon

Harward, that was a Chaplain in the Earl of Cumberland's fleet, is to be printed, being dedicated to the Archbishop of Canterbury In the preface to the Christian Reader, Mr Harward saith that he hath written this pamphlet for three causes , the first because he is thereunto requested by certain godly and valiant captains and shipmasters amongst whom he laboured on the Spanish seas, the second, to answer the obloquies and reproachful speeches of many that affirm that his voyages are a blot and discredit to the doctrine which he